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SUBJ: AF DROUGHT: BOLLAY NOAA VISIT TO WMO AUG 20 AND 21

1. BOLLAY HAD OPPORTUNITY BRIEF MET DIRECTORS OF FIVE SAHELIAN COUNTRIES (MALI NOT PRESENT) ON PURPOSES HIS VISIT TO NIGER. THERE WAS UNANIMOUS INTEREST IN AND SUPPORT FOR GENERAL SURVEY OF ENTIRE AREA, IN ORDER ASSESS PROSPECTS FOR RAIN AUGMENTATION EXPERIMENTS. CLEAR FROM COMMENTS THAT MAJOR EXTERNAL SUPPORT ESSENTIAL FOR SUCH A PROJECT. ALSO CLEAR THAT, THUS FAR, METEOROLOGICAL DIRECTORS RARELY CONSULTED IN NATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DROUGHT RELIEF MEASURES.

2. ASHFORD, WMO SECRETARIAT, EXPECTS CONTINUE TALKS WITH SAHELIAN DIRECTORS TO SEE WHAT SPECIFIC ACTION MIGHT BE TAKEN, EITHER SEPARATELY OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH RAIN SESSION. NOT POSSIBLE NOW TO STATE WHEN FURTHER TALKS WILL TAKE PLACE.

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THEREFORE, VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THAT NOT POSSIBLE TO COMPLETE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WMO-SPONSORED MISSION TO OTHER SAHELIAN COUNTRIES DURING PERIOD OF BOLLAY'S PRESENT VISIT TO NIGER. UNLESS INSTRUCTED FURTHER, HE PLANS RETURN TO WASHINGTON WHEN NIGER SURVEY COMPLETED. HOWEVER, POSSIBILITY OF BOLLAY ASSISTING IN TECHNICAL MEETING IN OUAGADOUGOU AUGUST 30 TO SEPT 6 WAS DISCUSSED. ASHFORD WILL LIKELY ATTEND FOR WMO AND HE THOUGHT IT USEFUL IF BOLLAY ALSO ATTEND. PRESUMABLY IT WOULD BE RESPONSIBILITY OF NIGER TO INVITE BOLLAY TO PARTICIPATE ON THEIR BEHALF.

3. BOLLAY HAD CHANCE TO TALK SEPARATELY WITH DIALLO, MET DIRECTOR FROM NIGER. HE WAS ASSURED THAT ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WERE OR WOULD BE MADE FOR COMPLETING THE SURVEY SPEEDILY. DIALLO SAID HE HAD NOT BEEN AWARE OF PLANS FOR EXPERT FROM US TO VISIT NIGER UNTIL HE HAD CABLE FROM WMO SUGGESTING THAT MISSION BE ARRANGED UNDER WMO. NEVERTHELESS, HIS ASSISTANT HAS BEEN BRIEFED AND WILL GIVE ALL HELP POSSIBLE.

4. SYG DAVIES APPRECIATES INITIATIVE FOR SURVEY AND SEEMED SATISFIED THAT APPROACH BY BOLLAY WOULD BE IN HARMONY WITH WMO'S POLICY ON WHEATHER MODIFICATION ACTIVITIES.

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